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TRIBUTE TO AMBASSADOR
SIDDHARTHA SHANKAR RAY, IN-
DIA'S ENVOY TO WASHINGTON

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 1996

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I would like to pay tribute and bid a fond farewell to Ambassador Siddhartha Shankar Ray, India's envoy to Washington since 1992. I am certain he will be successful in achieving his goals when he returns to India.

During his service, relations between the United States and India have grown to new heights. In his position, he has stressed the importance of ties to India. High level visits by U.S. officials have increased significantly since Ambassador Ray came to Washington. Since Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao instituted his historic economic reform program for India in 1991, United States investment in India has grown at a substantial rate.

In Washington, Ambassador Ray has been able to express India's concerns in an articulate manner. He has publicized the huge market potential that India possesses for business investments and consumer goods. Also, he has worked to improve the strategic relationship between the United States and India in South Asia.

Since 1957, Ambassador Ray has served the citizens of the world's largest democracy. He has been a member of the West Bengal Assembly, a member of the Lower House of the Indian Parliament, Governor of Punjab, Chief Minister of West Bengal, and Minister of Education, Social Welfare and Culture for India. The appointment of such an experienced and respected public servant demonstrates the level of importance that the Government of India places on its relations with the United States.

Both Ambassador Ray and his wife, Mrs. Maya Ray, have played an important role in building United States-India relations during the post cold war era. When he returns to India, I am confident that Ambassador Ray will continue to be a strong advocate of cordial and fruitful United States-India relations.

I ask that my colleagues join me in paying tribute to Ambassador Ray for his service, and I wish him and his wife best wishes for the future.

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF
MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE ACT
OF 1995

SPEECH OF

HON. RICK LAZIO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 30, 1996

Mr. LAZIO of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this flow control legislation that we are voting on today, but I want to express my concerns with a certain provision of the bill.

This legislation grandfathers communities with solid waste facilities that were financed with bonded debt or under a contractual obligation. Without this legislation, municipalities run the risk of not being able to meet their financial obligations. The relief offered by this bill will allow communities to pay off their bonds and avoid having to raise local taxes. It will also help prevent a potential torrent of lawsuits and bond defaults, or a possible downgrading of a municipality's bond rating, all of which could occur if Congress delays in passing a flow control bill. I am supporting this bill, not only to move it along in the legislative process, but more importantly, to protect taxpayers.

I am concerned that the bill's interim contracts provision may ultimately erode the ability of many towns on Long Island to utilize flow control. As a result of the Supreme Court's decision in C&A Carbone versus Clarkstown, some waste haulers have entered into contracts that would still be honored despite the enactment of a Federal flow control statute. My concern is that these waste haulers may have contracted to deliver solid waste collected within the boundaries of a municipality to a facility outside of the community's jurisdiction. At this point, municipalities located in my district, such as the towns of Islip and Babylon, cannot determine the volume of refuse that might be diverted out of their waste stream as a result of these interim contracts, thus subverting the spirit of authorizing local flow control laws. Furthermore, the interim contract provision would make it difficult for municipalities to enforce their taxing powers in municipal collection districts. Municipalities would have to trace interim contract waste. This would present tremendous tracking and administrative problems. Consequently, this potential loss of revenue for the municipalities may increase their financial burdens associated with waste storage facilities.

Communities need flow control legislation to ensure they can effectively plan and pay for their resource recovery programs. In some instances, the intent of Congress has been perverted by the discriminate application by localities of the provision. Expenses incurred on behalf of all residents for the administration of waste disposal must not fall disproportionately on a few. They must be fairly applied to all.

The Senate has already passed a flow control bill and the House should do the same. I then look forward to working with House-Senate conferees to resolve the problems and uncertainties that exist with the interim contract provision.

LAND DISPOSAL PROGRAM
FLEXIBILITY ACT OF 1995

SPEECH OF

HON. BART STUPAK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 30, 1996

Mr. STUPAK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to commend the majority on their handling of this legislation. H.R. 2036 is a bipartisan bill based on negotiations between the majority, minority and the administration. This bill will relieve companies from the expense of spending over \$800 million of dollars in unnecessary and burdensome regulation with minimal environmental benefit.

Due to previous judicial action, it is vital we pass this legislation and have it signed into law by early May. I want to especially thank Subcommittee Chairman OXLEY for his support of this measure and his willingness to seek Democratic input.

The gentlelady from Arkansas Mrs. LINCOLN, and Chairman OXLEY and myself offered an amendment to require EPA to complete the study of impoundments that is called for in the bill. Simple common sense dictates that if you order someone to conduct a study, you should expect it to be completed. Even though the EPA believes these impoundments do not pose any risk to human health, prudence dictates we should have the agency make sure we do not put our groundwater and communities at risk. Although, I'm not an expert in surface impoundments, I'll take very seriously the agreement between the majority, minority, EPA, and industry that this bill is a positive step in requiring more sensible environmental regulation.

I was glad to work with Mr. OXLEY and hope the process used in the consideration of this measure will become a blueprint for future improvement of environmental regulation in the House.

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF
MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE ACT
OF 1995

SPEECH OF

HON. BOB FRANKS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 30, 1996

Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, in 1970 my home State of New Jersey exported 80 percent of its garbage. In order to achieve self-sufficiency and address complaints about sending our garbage elsewhere, New Jersey invested \$2 billion to develop an extensive flow-control program. Now, thanks to flow control, New Jersey exports less than 20 percent of its solid waste.

The application of this bill is limited. This measure will allow States to continue their flow-control programs only if they had exercised their flow-control authority before May 16, 1994.

The spirit of this Congress has been to give more power and responsibility to the States to manage their own affairs. It is wrong, after having once given that power, to now forbid a State like New Jersey to manage its own waste through methods that have proven to work.

If New Jersey cannot continue its effective system of flow control, the \$2 billion burden of flow-control bonds will fall on the backs of the residents of New Jersey in the form of new and higher taxes. I urge a "yes" vote on this bill.

TRIBUTE TO HY ROSENBLUM

HON. GERALD B.H. SOLOMON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 1996

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I would like to pay my final tribute to a man I have praised before on this floor, Hy Rosenblum of East Greenbush, NY.

May he rest in peace. His life was one long act of giving to his community.

Had he only served as assistant State attorney general, town attorney for Schodack and East Greenbush, and village attorney for Castleton, he would have inscribed his name on the honor roll of outstanding citizens. But he also gave 41 years of his life to Hudson Valley Community College.

He was appointed to the college's original board of trustees by Gov. Thomas Dewey. He was later named secretary of the board, and served in that capacity for more than 40 years. He did not miss a graduation at the college for 41 years.

But that was not all. In 1943 he created the Consideration Award for local high school graduates who had shown high regard for the personal and property rights of others. In 1946, he incorporated the Hudson Valley Broadcasting Corp., which led to the creation of radio station WROW and WROW-TV. He served on that board of directors as well. In 1957 he chaired the Rensselaer County Park Committee, and played a major role in establishing the Grafton Lakes State Park. He also participated in such community efforts as lobbying for more State police, and preventing the closing of the Fort Orange Paper Co.

As you can see, Mr. Speaker, Mr. Rosenblum's contributions were many and lasting. I was proud to call him a friend, and I speak for many others when I say I will miss him. You do not replace someone like Hy Rosenblum.

Mr. SOLOMON. I ask you and other Members to join me in a final salute to a great American, Hy Rosenblum, and in offering our condolences and deepest regret to his wife, Doris, and grieving family.

A FATHER'S LETTER TO SANTA

HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 1996

Mr. DUNCAN. Mr. Speaker, one of the most respected men in Tennessee, Jim Haslam, chairman of the Pilot Oil Corporation, recently sent me a copy of "A Father's Letter to Santa."

This letter was sent to Mr. Haslam by Kevin O'Neill, the head basketball coach of the University of Tennessee. This piece was originally written by David Chartrand, a columnist for the Olathe, KS, Daily News.

I hope that all of my colleagues and many readers of the RECORD from all across the country will take time to read this and pass it on to others:

A FATHER'S LETTER TO SANTA

DEAR SANTA: My five-year-old boy scribbled out his Christmas list. It's there by the fireplace. The Coke and M&Ms are from him, in case you're hungry. You know five-year-olds these days. The Cheezits are from me.

Santa, if you don't mind, I thought I'd go ahead and leave my list, too. It's long, but do what you can.

It's all I want for Christmas.

CHRISTMAS LIST FROM HIS FATHER

Santa, let my little boy grow up still believing that he has the funniest dad in the neighborhood.

Give him many close friends, both boys and girls. May they fill his days with adventure, security and dirty fingernails.

Leave his mom and me some magic dust that will keep him just the size he is now. We'd just as soon he stayed five years old three feet, four inches.

If he must grow up, make sure he still wants to sit on my lap at bedtime and read "The Frog and the Toad."

If you can help it, Santa, never let him be sent into war. His mother and I love our country, but we love our five-year-old boy more.

While you're at it, give our world leaders a copy of the "The Killer Angels," Michael Shaara's retelling of the Battle of Gettysburg. May it remind them that too many moms and dads have wept at Christmas for soldiers who died in battles that needn't have been fought.

Let our house always be filled with slamming doors and toilet seats, which are the official sounds of little boys.

Break it to him gently, Santa, that his dad won't always be able to carry him to bed at night or brush his teeth for him. Teach him courage in the face of such change.

Let him understand that no matter how nice you are to everyone, the world will sometimes break your heart. As you know, Santa, a child's feelings are fragile as moth wings.

Let him become a piano player, a soccer star or a priest. Or all three. Anything but a tax-and-spend Democrat.

Give him a hunger for books, music and geography. May he be the first kid in Kindergarten to be able to find Madagascar on a map.

The kid's a born artist, Santa, so send more crayons. May our kitchen window and refrigerator door be ever plastered with his sketches of surreal rainbows and horse with big ears.

Through the years steer him oh so carefully to that little girl destined to be his bride. Let his mother and me still be around when he walks her down the aisle. If there's a just God, let her daddy be obscenely rich.

Grant him a heart that will cherish what his parents did right and forgive us for the mistakes we surely will have made over a lifetime of raising him.

Let him not hold it against us that he was born with my chin and his mother's ears. Time will teach him that these are God's ways of girding him for life's adversities.

Hold him steady on the day that he learns the truth about you and the Easter Bunny. May he take the news better than I did.

While you're flying around the heavens, Santa, make sure God has heard our prayer for this child: Lead my little boy not into temptation; deliver him from evil.

Be careful out there, Santa. And close the flue on your way up.

IN MEMORY OF EFFIE OLIVER

HON. GLENN POSHARD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 1996

Mr. POSHARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember the passing of Effie Oliver of Decatur, IL. Mrs. Oliver died last March after serving that community for decades in numerous caring capacities. Known especially for her devotion to children, the Longview Day Care Center of Decatur was renamed last October the Effie Oliver Child and Family Center in her honor. I would like to join the people of Decatur in offering my thanks in recognition of Mrs. Oliver's hard work, and my condolences to her surviving family.

Leadership and caring were a way of life for Effie. She donated her time and energy to numerous organizations, including the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Democratic Women's Club, and the Women's Progressive Club. Mrs. Oliver was also a deaconess at St. Peter's AME Church and served on the advisory council at the Longview Day Care Center. Her husband, Bill Oliver, still serves the community as a Decatur city councilman.

In her over 20 years of service to the children of Longview Day Care Center Effie touched many lives. She improved the environment in which these kids spent their days, so it was utterly appropriate that when the center was renamed for her, it also was improved. The Effie Oliver Child and Family Care Center has expanded classrooms, brand new restrooms, and beautiful interior additions. A portrait of Mrs. Oliver hangs inside.

Mr. Speaker, in this day of increasing distrust in our neighbors and institutions, the life of Effie Oliver should be a reminder to us all of what great things can be accomplished when we give of ourselves. She led an exemplary life, and I am proud to have represented her in the U.S. Congress.

FAREWELL TO THE HONORABLE KWEISI MFUME

HON. RONALD V. DELLUMS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 1996

Mr. DELLUMS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor an esteemed Member of the House as he departs to fulfill the role of chief executive officer and president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. As I bid farewell to my colleague, I am saddened, but I rejoice and am pleased that my friend goes forward to guide and nurture our Nation's premier civil rights organization in its continued struggle on behalf of those less fortunate. He leaves an indelible mark on the institution and in the hearts of many. He has set himself apart as a distinguished Member of the House.

Since the 1960's, KWEISI MFUME has been a staunch supporter of civil rights and economic development and economic empowerment through his seven-point plan to revitalize urban areas. As a member of the Banking and Financial Institutions Committee, KWEISI has proposed amendments to voice the concerns